

that this community has been deprived of one of its most worthy and favourite citizens, and this congregation of its most valuable member. Possessed of a penetrating but shrewd observation ; blessed with an enlarged and most useful experience ; keen and earnest in the acquisition of knowledge, of which he had amassed extensive treasures ; and gifted with a rare power of pleasantly and profitably communicating his ideas ; withal, a man of unobtrusive but genuine piety, which imparted a subdued tone to all his words and gestures—he must have been the soul of many a nappy company, and it is difficult to conceive a man with whom one could hold more agreeable or improving intercourse. Of amiable and gentle manners, he was accessible to all—kind and sympathizing, much of his time and means was devoted to the service of others. Distinguished among many for his singular forethought, understanding, and prudence ; for the soundness of his judgment, which was often appealed to ; for the excellence of his counsel, which was extensively acted upon ; for his high principle, which preserved a beautiful consistency of life ; for his tact of management and willingness to work—the important position which he held in public life, though neither the foremost in office nor the most conspicuous in notice, was